Mr. V. Joseph's participation in the Council Elections.

226. **MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Kottayam*): With reference to the answer to the question *re* complaints against certain officers in connection with the last Council Elections given at the meeting of the Council held on the 26th April 1929, will the Government be pleased to state the result of the enquiry made by the Commissioner of Police on the complaint made against Mr. V. Joseph, Inspector of Police, Ettumanur, regarding his participation in the last Legislative Council Elections?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): The Commissioner of Police reports that the allegations against Mr. V. Joseph, Inspector of Police, Ettumanur, were on enquiry found to be unfounded.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Kottayam*): അന്വേഷണം നടത്തിയതിൽ പോലീസ് ഇൻസ്പെക്ടർ കുറക്കാരനല്ലെന്നു കണ്ടിരിക്കുന്നതായി പറഞ്ഞിരിക്കുന്നു. സങ്കടക്കാരനെക്കൂടെ വച്ചുകൊണ്ടാണോ അന്വേഷണം നടത്തിയത്?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): സാധാരണ സങ്കടക്കാരനെക്കൂടെ വച്ചുകൊണ്ടു അന്വേഷണം നടത്തുകയാണു പതിവു്. അതിനാൽ ഈ കേസിലും അങ്ങിനെ ചെയ്തിരിക്കണമെന്നു വേണം ഊഹിക്കാൻ.

MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Kottayam*): സങ്കടക്കാരൻ ഞാൻ തന്നെയാണ്. അങ്ങിനെ ചെയ്തിട്ടില്ലെന്നു ഞാൻ പറയുന്നു. അതിനാൽ സങ്കടക്കാരനെക്കൂടെ വച്ചുകൊണ്ടു അന്വേഷണം നടത്തുമോ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): അതിനെപ്പറ്റി പോലീസ് കമ്മിഷണരോടു അറിയിക്കുന്നതു നന്നായിരിക്കും.

Need for opening new Sub-Registry Offices.

227. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have considered the desirability of appointing additional or joint Sub-Registrars in places where the total registrations in a year have exceeded or are likely to exceed five thousand;

(*b*) the number of petitions received by the Government and the Director of Registration praying for the re-allocation of jurisdiction of Sub-Registrars in the years 1103 and 1104;

(*c*) in how many instances has the jurisdiction of Sub-Registrars been altered during this period; and

(*d*) the pakuties belonging to the Neduvangad taluk that are under the jurisdiction of the Sub-Registry Offices situated in the neighbouring taluks?

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MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The Government have decided on the report of the Director of Registration that it is not necessary or desirable to adopt the system of appointing additional or joint Sub-Registrars in the State. The matter will be re-examined.

(*b*) The number of petitions received by the Director of Registration during the years 1103 and 1104 was 8 and 4 respectively and an equal number was also received by the Government.

(*c*) Four.

(*d*) There is only one such pakuti *viz.*, Pullampara, which is under the jurisdiction of the Sub-Registrar, Attingal, in the Chirayinkil taluk.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): With reference to the answer to part (*d*) of the question, may I know whether the Government have any objection to placing this pakuti under the jurisdiction of the Sub-Registrar of the Vamanapuram pakuti of the Neduvangad taluk?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): That has to be considered only after a reference to the Director of Registration.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): Will the Government refer the matter to him?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): That will be considered.

Transfer of Sub-Registrars.

228. MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list of the Sub-Registrars transferred by the present Director of Registration since the devolution of powers to the officers of his Department, showing their period of stay in the stations from which they were transferred, together with the reasons for their transfer?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): The member is referred to question No. 135, page 828 of Vol. XIII, of the Legislative Council Proceedings and Appendices VIII A to VIII C on pages 845 to 848. A supplementary statement* of the transfers of Sub-Registrars since then made is laid on the table.

Recruitment of Sub-Assistant Surgeons.

229. MR. ITTOOP ITTEECHAN (*Kunnatnad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is any rule in the Medical Department that those who have passed the M. B. B. S. or L. M. S. examination should not be appointed as Sub-Assistant Surgeons;

(*b*) whether any of them has been appointed as Sub-Assistant Surgeon up till now (8-11-1104);

(*c*) if no such rule exists, the reason why they are not appointed as Sub-Assistant Surgeons;

(*d*) the names of persons from among them who have applied for the posts of Sub-Assistant Surgeons;

* *Vide* Appendices XXXIV A and XXXIV B.—Pages 790 and 791.

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